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POSTS FOR DEA, SECSTATE ATTN S/NM, NEA/PAB FROM SAIC CARTER  
E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: SNAR, PK  
SUBJECT: WEEKLY DIGEST OF NARCOTIC INTELLIGENCE, GFAL-76-8006

REFS: DEA 20668 DATED 14 JUL 77, STATE 166125 DATED 16 JUL 77

1. ALL THE OUTWARD SIGNS INDICATE THAT THE MILITARY TAKEOVER HAS NOT AFFECTED ANTI-NARCOTIC ACTIVITIES IN PAKISTAN, AND THAT THE SITUATION WILL PROBABLY REMAIN STABLE AT LEAST THROUGH THE OCTOBER ELECTIONS. DEA LIAISON WORK HAS BEEN UNINTERRUPTED AND THERE ARE NO APPARENT CHANGES IN ATTITUDE ON THE PART OF THE CIVIL SERVANTS NOW RUNNING THE CONCERNED MINISTRIES. THE PNCB CONTINUES TO EXCHANGE INFORMATION WITH DEA ON A DAILY BASIS.

2. RAOOF ALI, CHAIRMAN OF THE PNCB, BELIEVES THAT THE MILITARY TAKEOVER HAS, IN FACT, STRENGTHENED HIS HAND. HE INTENDS TO OFFER TWO MAJOR PROPOSALS TO THE INTERIM GOVERNMENT: A) A TOTAL BAN ON POPPY CULTIVATION IN TRIBAL AREAS; AND B) RIGID ENFORCEMENT OF LICENSED ACREAGE AND ILLEGAL CULTIVATION IN SETTLED AREAS. ALI EXPECTS THE MILITARY TO BE MORE RECEPTIVE TO THESE  
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PROPOSALS THAN THEIR CIVILIAN PREDECESSORS. IF THE CHAIRMAN'S PROPOSALS ARE ACCEPTED, AND THEN IMPLEMENTED BY THE MILITARY, IT IS POSSIBLE THAT STRONG ENFORCEMENT ACTION MIGHT HAVE SOME EFFECT IN THE SETTLED AREAS. THERE IS SERIOUS DOUBT, GIVEN THE VOLATILE NATURE OF TRIBAL AREA POLITICS, THAT THE MILITARY WILL RISK ANY ACTION IN THE TRIBAL AREAS.

3. RAOOF ALI'S POSITION AS CHAIRMAN OF THE PNCB MAY HAVE BEEN STRENGTHENED BY THE TAKEOVER AS HE IS GENERALLY APOLITICAL AND WELL RESPECTED. AFTER OCTOBER, HOWEVER, NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT, ALONG WITH MANY OTHER ISSUES, WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF A NEW GOVERNMENT'S WISHES. ALI HAS TOLD US THAT HE EXPECTS TO SEE MORE SEIZURES AND ARRESTS BY ALL PAKISTANI ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES.  
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